**Opening of branches by foreign banks in the country**

166. SHRI SURESH KALMADI:
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to allow more foreign banks to open their branches in India; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Export obligations of M/s Pepsi Foods**

167. SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to refer to the legal agreement, M/s. Pepsi Foods has entered with Government of India on 14th September, 1989 and state:

(a) whether M/s. Pepsi Foods has furnished its annual report to the Chief Controller of Imports and Exports with copy to his Ministry regarding production, and exports, during the previous financial year, duly signed by a Chartered Accountant;

(b) if so, whether M/s. Pepsi Foods has fulfilled its exports obligation as per the agreement; and

(c) if not, what action is being taken against the company?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) A Show Cause notice has been issued to the firm.

**Export by Pepsi Foods**

168. SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 98 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th December, 1990 and state:

(a) what quantity and percentage of the processed potato/grain foods produced by M/s. Pepsi Foods have been exported; and

(b) what action has been taken against the company if no processed potato/grain foods has been exported by M/s. Pepsi Foods?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) Nil.

(b) A Show Cause Notice has been issued to the firm.

**Combating AIDS**

169. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Council of Medical Research has made many recommendations to combat AIDS;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the follow up action taken thereon; and

(c) whether any scientific census will be launched to detect actual number of AIDS carries and also the potential AIDS carriers in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c) The Indian Council of Medical Research has recommended phased initiation of screening of donated blood; establishment of clinical facility for counselling and care of sero-positive persons and AIDS cases; hospital policy for care of HIV infected persons including AIDS patients and sentinel surveillance for HIV

infection; to obtain accurate information on magnitude of infection in different risk groups over different periods.

Government of India has identified and strengthened 13 hospitals for clinical management of HIV infected AIDS/cases in the country; established HIV testing centres for diagnostic screening and screening of donated blood in different cities; prepared detailed guidelines for upgrading hospital infection control standards.

**Rehabilitation of women trapped in urban areas**

170. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what steps Government have taken so far particularly during the last one year to settle the unfortunate women who have been trapped in urban areas to lead immoral life: and

(b) what are Government's plans for rehabilitating these women?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (KUM. MAMATA BANERJEE): (a) and (b) The problems of such women trapped in prostitution is the concern of the State Governments as 'Social Defence' falls within the State Sector. Even so, the Central Social Welfare Board organised a National Conference on Prostitutes and their children in the month of June 1990. One of the recommendations made therein was to strengthen protective homes run by the State Governments and Union Territories. As part of observance of 1990 as the SAARC Year of the Girl Child, the Department of Women & Child Development sanctioned Rs. 18.56 lakhs to the Central Social Welfare Board as one time assistance to strengthen 16 Protective Homes in 11 States and the Union Territory of Delhi.

**Non-payment of PF/Gratuity dues of retired/expired teachers of Government School, Patel Nagar**

171. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3119 given in the Rajya Sabha on 4th September, 1990 and state:

(a) what are the reasons for inordinate delay in settling the cases regarding payment of Provident Fund/gratuity dues to retired/expired teachers of Government School, Patel Nagar, New Delhi; and

(b) what steps are contemplated by Government for expeditious settlement of the dues to mitigate the hardships?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b) The Delhi Administration have intimated that the delay in settling the pension case of Km. Snehlata Paul has been due to the delay in receipt of papers from the claimant. The Delhi Administration have also intimated that the payment of Provident Fund dues has now been made. As regards the gratuity, the bill was submitted to the Pay & Accounts Office on 25.2.1991, which was received back on 17.4.1991 with some objections. The P&AO again returned the bill in June, 1991 with further objections which are being settled by Delhi Admn. in consultation with the Principal Pay & Accounts Office.

**Reimbursement of Family Welfare Funds to Andhra Pradesh Government**

172. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Government have not re-imbursed funds for family welfare schemes implemented by the Government of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) what are the details of amounts claimed by Andhra Pradesh Government which are pending with the Central Goernment; and